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**STATE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COORDINATION  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
Friday-May 20th, 2016**

**Call to Order:**

Dr. Edwards called the meeting to order at 09:31 hrs.

**Roll Call:**

**Members Present:** J. Boyd, J. Bullen, K. Cummings, Dr. R. Dunne, Dr. K.D. Edwards, B. Forbush, W. Hart, Dr. B. Kincaid, C. Lake, A. Sundberg for M. Leckelt, (via phone), M. Nye, D. Pratt (via phone), G. Scafidi, E. Smith, T. Sorensen, B. Trevithick, G. Wadaga, S. Whitehead (via phone), K. Wilkinson

**Members Absent:** Sen. Casperson, Rep. Franz, S. Myers, D. Randall, Dr. R. Smith

**MDHHS Representatives:** K. Wahl, N. Babb, S. Slee, Dr. W. Fales, E. Worden, M. Lori, T. Jenkins, K. Ruest, J. Chamberlain, D. Flory-Mullins

**Others Present:** Pete Rogers: LSTI, Michelle Harper: TCEMCA, Chris Haney: Star EMS, Angela Madden: MAAS, Sara Welter: Livingston County EMS, Mike Holdeman: SEPSA Fire Authority, Bill Grubb: Star EMS/MAAS, Debbie Condino: Macomb County MCA, Michael Fill: Jackson County MCA, Marvin Helmker: Lansing Community College, Michael Bentley: Kalamazoo County MCA, Eric Snidersich: Saginaw Valley MCA, Alicia Sledge: MSP

**Approval of Agenda and Minutes:**

**AGENDA: Motion to Approve with addition of SEPSA Fire Authority Bennett Bill Progress Report under New Business: Lake, Wilkinson. Motion Carries.**

**MINTUES: Motion to Approve: Boyd, Lake, Motion Carries.**

## **Special Guests:**

### **EMS Crash Data Study presented by Dr. Osama Abudayyeh, P.E., Dr. Tycho Fredericks and Megan Kuk from Western Michigan University.**

- Dr. Abudayyeh presented the study to the committee and answered questions. From the executive summary presented: “The purpose of this project was to analyze the EMS traffic crash data with the goal of identifying current EMS response, treatment, and transport trends. The data was also used to develop predictive models for response time. The results from the analysis will be useful to provide recommendations to help guide and direct future EMS initiatives relating to motor vehicles.”
- Questions from the committee generated discussion around various data issues. K. Wahl stated the data subcommittee would be pulled together, and there would be discussion with the data vendors. Dr. Fredericks asked the group to send feedback and ideas for future analysis projects.
- Dr. Edwards requested that the committee take this information back to their constituents and it will be placed on the next meeting’s agenda to review.
- The report and the Power Point presentation will be sent to the group.

## **Old Business:** None

## **New Business:**

### **Bennett Bill Renewal Applications**

- Leland Township.
  - Dr. Edwards read the Bennett Bill one time renewal request to the committee. **Motion to approve. Trevithick, Cummings. Motion carries.**
- Torch Lake Township EMS.
  - Torch Lake has not stated their intention to renew to the Bureau. Should they decide to renew, a vote will be taken via email and reported on at the next meeting. **Motion to table. Boyd, Wilkinson. Motion carries.**
- SEPSA Fire Authority Progress Report.
  - Chief Holdeman presented the Bennett Bill progress report to the committee. No action was necessary by the EMSCC.

## **Emergency Preparedness Update by Dr. Edwards:**

- An advanced disaster life support instructor class will be held on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 at the Bureau of EMS, Trauma and Preparedness.
- The advanced burn life support class will be held on June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at the University of Michigan Medical Center.
- In October, there will be a joint hands on training session with Regions 7 and 8. Details will be available at a future date.
- The new EMS module will be piloted in the fall class.

- The Special Pathogen Response Network (SPRN) technical visits are continuing in the northern part of the state. There will be a statewide teleconference meeting for the transport teams in June. A potential grant opportunity was discussed briefly based on a question from B. Trevithick.
- The preparedness program will have a 12% decline in funding for the upcoming budget period 5.

### **EMS Systems Report by Kathy Wahl:**

- K. Wahl issued a thank you to all the subcommittees and the work they do.
- New EMS staff members Julia Chamberlain, MCA Coordinator, and Derek Flory-Mullins, EMS Support Coordinator, were introduced. The Compliance Coordinator position is in the process of being filled.
- EMS for Children has been very busy. Justin Allen has been working on revising the MI-MEDIC cards, as well as ambulance child restraints. These restraints will be purchased and provided to EMS transporting agencies thanks to funds from the Trauma program. Justin Allen, Theresa Jenkins and Lauren Korte will be travelling to Washington D.C. to learn more about recognition of pediatric capabilities in hospitals.
- A meeting was held with Senator Casperson to thank him for his ideas, show how those ideas have been implemented and suggest alternate legislation ideas that will support the EMS system.
- The first EMS newsletter is complete. It will go out to the MCAs and agencies next week.
- The 2016 Triennial protocol review is in progress. The first set of completed protocols are posted on the website for review and comments are due by May 31<sup>st</sup>. The best approach for MCAs that have protocols in addition to the state protocols would be to wait until the state protocol review is complete before sending in the additional ones. The Bureau will advise when it is time to send those in to the QATF. Lori Lynn and Julia Chamberlain are going through the Vehicle Requirement Checklist and making sure it matches what is in the protocols.
- The ImageTrend security documents are still being worked through.
- K. Wahl would like to develop an EMS Code of Ethics and asked the best way to go about this within the EMSCC. It is suggested to create an ad hoc committee, to be created by the By Laws committee. Dr. Edwards asked for those interested to email K. Wahl.

### **Trauma Systems Report by Eileen Worden:**

- Three in-state site reviews are scheduled. After the reviews are complete, the process will be reviewed for performance improvement.
- The designation subcommittee will meet July 12<sup>th</sup>.
- The next call for Trauma Registry is June 15<sup>th</sup>.
- The deterministic data linkage proposal is moving forward.
- Funding will be directed into four focus areas to continue Trauma System development.

- The Trauma Conference will be October 4<sup>th</sup> and exciting topics are planned.
- Now that the Trauma System is in place, the administrative rules will be looked at for minor language changes.

## **Committee Reports:**

### **A: Quality Assurance by Dr. Edwards:**

- The June meeting will be dedicated to the protocol review process.
- Comments on the protocols posted are due May 31<sup>st</sup>.
- A decision has not been made yet on separating the protocol book.

### **B: Ambulance Operations by Montgomery Nye:**

- The committee met on May 10th. Mark Van Arnam from CAAS GVS presented to the group. The Power Point presentation will be sent out to the EMSCC when it is available. After reviewing the presentation, the subcommittee prepared the motion to be presented to the EMSCC. M. Nye explained the rationale behind the wording of the motion. The “in their entirety” phrase was used for CAAS GVS and NFPA 1917 standards because they are not compartmentalized like the federal triple K standards are.
- **Motion for the administrative rules to read: “certification of a ground ambulance as it relates to structural and mechanical specifications, excluding the paint scheme, must comply with the standards in place at the time of manufacture for federal KKK standards, or; a. CAAS GVS or b. NFPA 1917, in their entirety.” Nye, Lake.**
  - Discussion: B. Forbush explained further the reasoning behind using the phrase “in their entirety”. K. Cummings countered the interpretation. Dr. Edwards read the motion again. It is decided to add the phrase “in its entirety” after each section. Motion is amended. The standards at the manufacturer production level were briefly discussed.
- **Amended Motion for the administrative rules to read: “certification of a ground ambulance as it relates to structural and mechanical specifications, excluding the paint scheme, must comply with the standards in place at the time of manufacture for federal KKK standards, or; a. CAAS GVS, in its entirety or b. NFPA 1917, in its entirety.” Nye, Lake. Motion carries (Kincaid opposed).**
- The Michigan Air Medical Minimum Equipment List and Agency Criteria was also reviewed. **Motion to support the Michigan Air Medical Minimum Equipment List and Agency Criteria draft document. Nye, Forbush. Motion carries.**

### **C: Medical Control by Bruce Trevithick:**

- The Medical Control subcommittee met, and they are planning the MCA Conference to be held on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The theme will be “the foundation and heart of Michigan EMS”.

**D: Education by Terrie Godde:**

- The CE changes go into effect December 31st, the EMSCC was asked to remind their constituent groups.
- There are over 750 DOSE trained personnel in the state. The EMS office obtained pack and plays, if those are needed.
- There are 10 accredited Paramedic Programs, 22 with a letter of review. Seven site visits will be next week.
- Education programs now have access to ImageTrend so they can teach students to computerize documents.
- Narcan training is now on MI-TRAIN.
- Webinars will be coming soon.

**E: Statewide Trauma Advisory:** Nothing to report.

**F: By-Laws by Jeff Boyd:**

- The Quality Assurance Task Force, Data and COPEM subcommittees are still being worked on.

**G: Data Task Force:** Nothing to report.

- K. Cummings asked about the transition to MIEMIS 3. K. Wahl to follow up with K. Putman.

**H: Legislative by Bruce Trevithick:**

- HB 5331 - This legislation would allow EMS providers to be included in the current HPRP program. Due to issues with the way the legislation is set up, the committee recommends that the EMSCC take a formal position in opposition. **Motion to oppose as written. Trevithick, Wilkinson. Motion carries.**
- HB 5479-5481 - This is the POST legislation, which was previously supported in draft form by the EMSCC and the committee is recommending formal support now that it has been introduced in this four-bill package. **Motion to support: Trevithick, Scafidi. Motion carries.**
- HB 5537 - This bill is similar to HB 4600, which the EMSCC previously opposed. It would create a requirement for a DNR/NHM designation on a state ID card. The committee recommends opposition to this as well. **Motion to oppose: Trevithick, Wilkinson. Motion carries.**
- HB 5592-5593 - These bills would define criminal penalties for assaults against health care providers, including EMS. The committee recommends the EMSCC support the bills. **Motion to support: Trevithick, Lake. Motion carries.**

- HB 5643 – This bill was introduced after the subcommittee met by Rep. Vaupel and targets the same issue as HB 4910 of education on overdoses. J. Boyd went over the history behind this for the EMSCC, and has a meeting with Rep. Vaupel next week. Due to impending amendments, no action was taken by the EMSCC.
- HB 5630 – This bill is the house bill that goes with SB 833 that expands the use of fire training grants from the Fireworks Safety Act that the EMSCC supported at the last meeting. **Motion to support. Nye, Lake. Motion carries.**

#### **I: Rural by Gary Wadaga:**

- No action has been taken on the Bennett Bill.
- The MFR scope of practice is still being monitored while the glucometer, aspirin and supraglottic airway protocols are being approved.
- Loan forgiveness is still being discussed.
- Recruitment and retention continues to be worked on. Two programs, the Michigan Center for Rural Health and the Michigan Rural EMS Network, need to be pushed out.
- Ideas for sustainability are being generated.
- High school EMS and military medic pathway programs are being looked at.
- Senator Casperson is still working on draft legislation. An EMS town hall meeting has been scheduled by his office next week in Marquette to further discuss the legislation. Discussion ensued around this upcoming meeting, the draft legislation and alternative ideas.

#### **Membership Round Table Report:**

- J. Boyd stated the EMS Expo is being planned and will be held May 4<sup>th</sup> through May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 on Mackinac Island.
- B. Hart stated he is a member of the Greater Michigan Accountable Care Organization, and they are looking at the potential of using community paramedics to assist the rural hospitals in the ACO.
- B. Trevithick asked about the application for EMSCC appointment. The appointment process for the EMSCC membership was briefly discussed. The form is posted on the website.
- G. Wadaga stated the Michigan Center for Rural Health has released the third round of the rural AED grant. Applications are due in June.
- K. Wahl distributed a handout on EMT and Paramedic Rates per 100,000 Population and explained it to the committee.
- Dr. Edwards recognized Glenda Dolehanty and her service to EMS. He also thanked everyone for their input, time and energy spent on challenging topics.

**Public Comment:**

- Marv Helmker asked for information on how many agencies there are in the State and how many are reporting data. K. Wahl addressed this question.

**Next Meeting: Friday, July 22nd, 2016.**

- This meeting will only be held if necessary, otherwise, it will be cancelled. Notification will be sent at least 10 days prior to the meeting.

**Adjournment: Motion to adjourn: Sorensen, Wilkinson. Motion carries.**

- Meeting adjourned at 12:14 hrs.